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Docket No. R2001-1

MOTION FOR LATE ACCEPTANCE OF RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS HATFIELD TO INTERROGATORIES OF UNITED PARCEL SERVICE (UPS/USPS-T18-12-15)

The United States Postal Service hereby moves for late acceptance of Response of United States Postal Service Witness Hatfield to Interrogatories of United Parcel Service (UPS/USPS-T18-12-15).

The responses should have been filed on Tuesday, December 18, 2001. They are thus two days late. This delay was caused by the need to investigate a matter raised in one of the interrogatories as well as undersigned counsel's involvement in hearings. The Postal Service regrets any inconvenience, but does not believe that anyone will be prejudiced by the brief delay.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

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